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Middle School

Grades 6-8

Official Released Items

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The table below lists the number of core and released items administered on the Spring 2007 *Grades 6-8 Participation v1.5 English Language Arts and Mathematics Assessment*. Core items are those that count toward students' scores. All released items in this booklet were selected from the pool of core items that appeared on the assessment.

English Language Arts Strand	Number of Core Items	Number of Released Items	Number of Embedded Items
Accessing Information			5 (varies by strand)
Word Study	3	1	
Comprehension	3	1	
Expressing Ideas	4	1	
English Language Arts Item Subtotal	10	3	
English Language Arts Possible Points Subtotal*	60		
Mathematics Strand	Number of Core Items	Number of Released Items	Number of Embedded Items
Numbers and Operations	3	1	5 (varies by strand)
Measurement	2	1	
Geometry	4	1	
Data and Probability	1	0	
Mathematics Item Subtotal	10	3	
Mathematics Possible Points Subtotal*	60		
Total ELA and Mathematics Items	20	6	10
Total Possible Points	120		

*3 points/item Primary Assessment Administrator + 3 points/item Shadow Assessment Administrator = 6 points possible/item

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General Directions

- Prior to administration, review the assessment items. They are designed to (1) reflect classroom activities with which students should be familiar, and (2) provide a performance context in which specific Michigan ELA and mathematics EGLCEs and EBs can be assessed.
- Review the item components. They include the actual activity that will be observed, the scoring focus, and the scoring rubric for the Primary Assessment Administrator (PAA) and the Shadow Assessment Administrator (SAA).
- While some items will occur naturally in the classroom, others may require more detailed planning in order to observe the specific scoring focus. Prepare to adjust the instructional environment as needed.
- Plan for appropriate materials and any individualized communication or technology devices the student may need, such as augmentative communication devices and/or other specialized equipment. Keep in mind that any aids or materials used must be chronologically age appropriate and reflect what the student typically uses during instruction (in other words, do not introduce a new device or material during assessment administration).
- To accurately and reliably apply the scoring rubric and yield valid pilot data, carefully review the "Scoring Rubric Flow Chart" included in the *Spring 2007 Participation and Supported Independence v1.5 Coordinator and Assessment Administrator Manual*. It explains when to give a student a score point or a condition code.
- If possible, plan observation times when the item/activity may typically occur.
- Persons involved in the assessment should follow universal health precautions when needed.
- Determine which **two** people will observe and score the items. A certified professional staff member (such as a teacher, school psychologist, related service provider, or teacher consultant) must act as the PAA. SAAs can also be certified staff or school personnel (such as paraprofessionals). Keep in mind that both PAAs and SAAs must (1) be familiar with the student, and (2) not impede or influence any interaction particular to the item.
- The Shadow Assessment Administrator will need to tear or cut out the *MI-Access Shadow Assessment Administrator Scoring Documents* (one for English Language Arts items and one for Mathematics items), which are located at the end of the student's assessment booklet. This is where the SAA will record the score point or condition code for each item observed. Using a separate scoring document allows the SAA to independently score the student. Once all of the items have been administered, the score points or condition codes recorded by the SAA must be transferred to the correct numbered item in the booklet and to the student's machine scannable *Student Observation Sheet* (SOS).
- The Primary Assessment Administrator will record the score point or condition code for each item directly in the student's assessment booklet. Once all of the items have been administered, the score points or condition codes recorded by the PAA must be transferred to the student's machine scannable *Student Observation Sheet* (SOS).

Section 1

English Language Arts

STUDENT DIRECTIONS: Do and say whatever is typically done or said to allow the student to participate in each item, UNLESS otherwise directed in the activity.

Item R1

ACTIVITY: The student will identify 2 words paired with pictures (from a set of 2 related and 2 unrelated words with pictures) associated with a dressing routine involving going outdoors, such as shoes, hat, or jacket, during the preparation time for dismissal from school.

SCORING FOCUS: Identifying frequently encountered words related to a specific task

SCORING RUBRIC (*Must have two people observing.*)

Primary Assessment Administrator

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- 1** Responds correctly after teacher provides modeling, short of hand-over-hand assistance
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Item R2

ACTIVITY: The student will correctly answer 2 questions related to a story's character(s), such as appearance, preferences, or actions, after listening to a simple narrative during a leisure reading activity.

SCORING FOCUS: Answering questions regarding story elements

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Item R3

ACTIVITY: The student will respond appropriately to a greeting from a familiar person, such as a teacher, principal, or related service provider, during lunchtime.

SCORING FOCUS: Responding and/or communicating with a variety of audiences

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Section 2

Mathematics

STUDENT DIRECTIONS: Do and say whatever is typically done or said to allow the student to participate in each item, UNLESS otherwise directed in the activity.

Item R1

ACTIVITY: The student will correctly indicate or demonstrate understanding of a request to perform “1 more” repetition when engaged in a familiar exercise or therapy routine. For example, the student would perform 1 more step on a treadmill, push a therapy ball 1 more time, or stretch a therapy band 1 more time when directed to, “Show me 1 more.” or “Let’s do that one more time.”

SCORING FOCUS: Associating value with the number 1

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Item R2

ACTIVITY: The student will correctly indicate which item is **cold** when presented with 1 hot and 1 cold item while engaged in a familiar eating routine, such as lunch or snack time. For example, the student could be presented with a cup of ice water and a cup of hot soup and then be asked, "Which one is **cold**?"

SCORING FOCUS: Differentiating between **hot** and **cold**

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Item R3

ACTIVITY: The student will correctly indicate or demonstrate finding 2 targeted areas or objects within the school building, such as a drinking fountain, lunch table, or doorway. For example, the student could be placed near the door of the classroom and directed, "Show me where we get a drink" and he/she moves to a drinking fountain or provides directions at each turn through his/her individual response mode.

SCORING FOCUS: Locating targeted areas/objects

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English Language Arts

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Mathematics**Item R1**

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Below is a list of the Extended Grade Level Content Expectations (EGLCE) for each released item found in this booklet. The chart contains the EGLCE code and a brief description of what is measured.

Full descriptions of the EGLCE contained in the chart below are available for review and download at **www.mi.gov/mi-access**.

English Language Arts		
Released Item Number	EGLCE Code	ASSESSMENT COMPONENT or Abbreviated Descriptor/Scoring Focus
		Word Study
R1	R.WS.m.P.EG04	Identifying frequently encountered words related to a specific task
		Comprehension
R2	R.NT.m.P.EG03	Answering questions regarding story elements
		Expressing Ideas
R3	S.CN.m.P.EG01	Responding and/or communicating with a variety of audiences
Mathematics		
Released Item Number	EGLCE Code	STRAND or Abbreviated Descriptor/Scoring Focus
		Numbers and Operations
R1	N.ME.m.P.EG03	Associating value with the number 1
		Measurement
R2	M.UN.m.P.EG01	Differentiating between hot and cold
		Geometry
R3	G.LO.m.P.EG01	Locating targeted objects



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